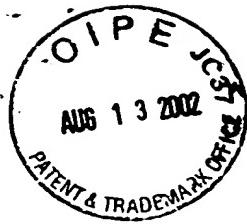


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ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)

- Transmitted herewith is Amendment "B".
- The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	6	-	20	0	<input type="checkbox"/> x \$9.00 <input type="checkbox"/> x \$18.00	\$0
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APPLICATION AMENDED TO CONTAIN ANY MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS NOT PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR.				<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> x \$140.00 <input type="checkbox"/> x \$280.00 ONE TIME	\$0
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT						\$0

- Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for responding to the Office Action dated March 7, 2002 by two month(s) for a fee of \$400.00 so that the period for response is extended to August 7, 2002 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.321.
- A check in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed to cover the
- A check including the \$ _____ for the Terminal Disclaimer under 37 C.F.R. § 1.321 is attached.
- A check including the \$ _____ for the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312(b) is attached.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the extension fee and any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to Account No. 19-3140. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT

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